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Letter dated 4 October 2002 from the Permanent Representative of Gabon to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith the final communiqué of the summit meeting held on 2 October 2002 at Libreville under the aegis of the Central African Economic and Monetary Community on the situation between the Central African Republic and Chad (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have this letter and its annex circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Denis **Dangue Réwaka**
Ambassador
Permanent Representative



Annex to the letter dated 4 October 2002 from the Permanent Representative of Gabon to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Final communiqué

At the invitation of His Excellency El Hadj Omar Bongo, President of the Gabonese Republic,

Their Excellencies

- El Hadj Omar Bongo, President of the Gabonese Republic,
- Mr. Obiang Nguema Mbasogo, President of the Republic of Equatorial Guinea,
- Mr. Idriss Déby, President of the Republic of Chad,
- Mr. Ange-Félix Patassé, President of the Central African Republic,
- Mr. Denis Sassou Nguesso, President of the Republic of the Congo,
- Mr. Amadou Toumani Touré, President of the Republic of Mali,
- Mr. Laurent Eso, Minister with special responsibility for the Office of the President and for Defence, representing His Excellency Mr. Paul Biya, President of the Republic of Cameroon,
- Mr. Amara Essy, Interim Chairperson of the Commission of the African Union,
- and General Lamine Cissé, Representative of the Secretary-General of the United Nations in the Central African Republic.

Met at Libreville on 2 October 2002 in the framework of the Central African Economic and Monetary Community to consider the situation between the Central African Republic and the Republic of Chad.

After considering the report of the Verification and Evaluation Committee, as well as the comments made by President Idriss Déby and President Ange-Félix Patassé, the Heads of State and Delegation decided as follows.

1. At the political level

Immediately to remove Koumta-Madji Martin, alias Abdoulaye Miskine, from the territory of the Central African Republic, and François Bozizé from the territory of the Republic of Chad, as well as all other elements hostile to each of the two countries.

2. At the security and military level

The Republic of Chad and the Central African Republic shall each deploy their regular armies along the dividing line formed by the border between the two countries, and shall carry out joint patrols.

The livestock migration corridors shall be updated or, if necessary, jointly determined.

The Heads of State and Delegation have decided to deploy in the Central African Republic, within one (1) month and for a period of six (6) months, which

shall be renewable, a contingent of three hundred (300) to three hundred and fifty (350) troops from Gabon, Cameroon, the Republic of the Congo, Equatorial Guinea and Mali.

A special company shall be responsible for ensuring the safety of the Central African Head of State. Observers shall be responsible for observation and ensuring security at the border between Chad and the Central African Republic. They shall participate in the restructuring of the Central African armed forces.

For that purpose, the Heads of State and Delegation have given President Bongo a mandate to ensure coordination between the Community of Sahelo-Saharan States and the Central African Economic and Monetary Community.

The military authorities concerned, convened by President Bongo, shall meet in Libreville to determine practical modalities.

3. Cooperation

The Central African Republic and the Republic of Chad undertake to relaunch their cooperation through the reactivation and operation of all existing committees: Main Joint Committee, Bilateral Committee for the Northern Border, Tripartite Committee for the North-eastern Border, etc.

The Heads of State and Delegation welcomed the spirit of understanding and the determination expressed by Chad and the Central African Republic to relaunch their cooperation and expressed satisfaction at the excellent climate in which the meeting had taken place.

Having completed their work, they expressed their gratitude to His Excellency El Hadj Omar Bongo, and to the Gabonese Government and people, for the fraternal welcome and hospitality they had received during their stay in Libreville.

Done at Libreville, 2 October 2002